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DAYTON, Ohio, March 10, 1971 --- Religion in Life's exploration into the contemporary scene, entitled "Foundations In Theology," continues on the University of Dayton campus for the next two months. Renewing the series begun last fall, the RIL program, which was born in the early 1960s as education in Roman Catholicism, opens this Monday, March 15, with the theme: "Why Are We Changing In Our Religious Expectations: Is Religion A Fraud?"

In making the announcement of the winter-spring series, Bro. Leo Murray, S.M., Department of Theological Studies, said the seminar would be broken into two sections.

The first section, taught by Rev. William Vrasdonk, a Dutch priest who has been a UD professor since 1967, will discuss the subject mentioned above. Lectures will be held on March 15, 22, 29 and April 5.

Mr. Thomas Martin, who returned to UD's Department of Theological Studies last fall after two years at Syracuse University for doctoral work, will conduct the second section on April 15, 22, 29 and May 6. Subject is "Religion and the Contemporary World: Science & Religion, Moral Man vs. Psychological Man, The Image of Man in Modern Literature and The Morals of the Movies."

In the fall, the seminar had treated youthful dissent and rebellion, counter culture, and our ability to serve God and man within the limits of the human condition. A Catholic priest, two protestant ministers and an ecumenical theater group explored the subjects in an ecumenical policy which began in Religion in Life in 1966.

In the ensuing four years, the Series has introduced liberal and conservative clergy of Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant and Jewish faiths and laymen whose expertise is in religion, theology and philosophy.

Father Vrasdonk was born and raised in the Netherlands and studied at Julius Maximilian Universitat in Wurzburg, Germany, before receiving three degrees in 1959 through 1961 at Carolus Magnus Universitat, Nijmegen, Netherlands. Father came to the United States to study at Loyola University of Chicago where he received M.A. degrees in education and philosophy in 1966 and 1967 respectively. He served as a marriage counselor and taught adult education during the latter period. He joined the UD Department of Theological Studies in March, 1967.

Martin, a graduate of Spring Hill College in 1962 and Fordham University in 1965, came to the University of Dayton in 1965. He received a leave of absence for two years, 1968-70, to study for his doctoral degree at Syracuse University. He has completed all but his dissertation.

The Seminar is open to the public.